



General Medicine:
HYPERKALEMIA
Medical Protocol

Patient Care Goals:

1. Identify hyperkalemia may occur in various clinical settings such as cardiac arrest and bradycardia.
2. Limit mortality from hyperkalemia
3. Incorporate this protocol within other applicable protocols.

Patient Presentation:

Inclusion Criteria

1. Patients with history of ESRD evidenced by a fistula or dialysis catheter with any one:

- Wide QRS (>120 msec)
- Bradycardia/Asystole
- Peaked T waves

Calcium Gluconate 10% Treatment:

60 mg/kg to a max of 3,000 mg (3 grams) IV/IO

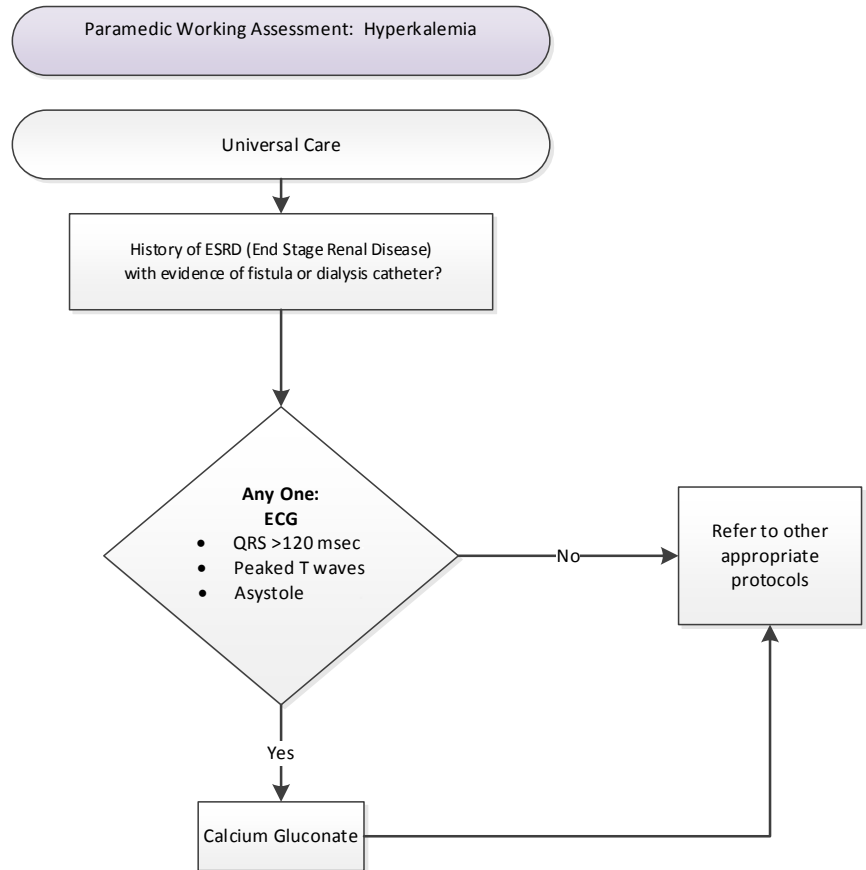
Quality Improvement:

Key Documentation Elements

1. Evidence of ESRD (End Stage Renal Disease)
2. Clinical indication for treatment.

Patient Safety Considerations

Routine use of lights and sirens is not recommended during transport unless severe or refractory to EMS interventions



Examples of ECGs with peaked T waves and/or QRS > 120 msec:



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